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May 4, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated March 28, 2000, applicants are submitting herewith the original declaration for the above-identified application.

A check in the amount of \$1,288.00 is attached hereto for payment of the official filing fee (\$690.00), the fee for the late filing of the Declaration (\$130.00), the fee for thirteen (13) claims over twenty (20) (\$234.00), and the fee for three (3) independent claims over three (3) (\$234.00).

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Please charge any additional required fees or credit any
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Respectfully submitted,

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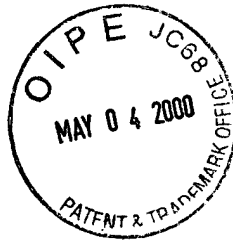
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$468.
 - \$234 for 13 total claims over 20.
 - \$234 for 3 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1288.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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